Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently amended) A composition comprising:

a quinoxaline component, and

a fatty acid component, the fatty acid component being present ~~in a~~ as an ion-pair complex with the quinoxaline component; the ion-pair complex remaining substantially intact in an aqueous environment and the fatty acid component being present in an amount effective to enhance movement of the quinoxaline component across a lipid membrane, and to reduce at least one undesirable side effect when the composition is administered to a patient relative to a substantially identical composition including a quinoxaline component without a fatty acid component.

2. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component is present in an amount effective to enhance the efficacy of the quinoxaline component relative to the efficacy of the quinoxaline component without the fatty acid component.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1 wherein the quinoxaline component is selected from the group consisting of quinoxaline, (2-imidozolin-2-ylamino) quinoxaline,

5-bromo-6-(2-imidozolin-2-ylamino) quinoxaline, and derivatives thereof and mixtures thereof.

5. (Original) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component is selected from the group consisting of saturated fatty acids and unsaturated fatty acids, derivatives thereof and mixtures thereof.

6. (Original) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component is selected from the group consisting of fatty acids having about 12 to about 26 carbon atoms per molecule, derivatives thereof and mixtures thereof.

7. (Original) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component is selected from the group consisting of docosahexanoic acids, derivatives thereof and mixtures thereof.

8. (Original) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component is selected from the group consisting of linolenic acids, derivatives thereof and mixtures thereof.

9. (Original) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component has a therapeutic effect.

10. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component has a therapeutic effect while being in a complex with the quinoxaline component.

11. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component has a therapeutic effect while not being in a complex with the quinoxaline component.

12. (Original) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component is effective to reduce intraocular pressure when it is administered to the eye.

13. (Original) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component is selected from the group consisting of prostanoids, derivatives thereof and mixtures thereof.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component enhances the movement of the quinoxaline component across a biological membrane under physiological conditions.

16. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1 wherein the fatty acid component is effective to enhance the therapeutic effect provided by the quinoxaline component.

17. (Original) A composition of claim 1 wherein the complex is able to disassociate in a biological environment.

18. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1 which includes at least one additional agonist and the fatty acid is complexed with both the quinoxaline component and the additional agonist.

19. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1 which includes at least one additional fatty acid component and the

quinoxaline component is complexed with both the fatty acid component and the additional fatty acid component.

20. (Original) A composition of claim 1 which is ophthalmically acceptable.

21. (Original) A composition of claim 1 which further comprises a carrier.

22. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1 wherein the quinoxaline component comprises 5-bromo-6-(2-imidozolin-2-ylamino) quinoxaline; and

the fatty acid component is selected from the group consisting of docosahexanoic acids, linolenic acids, prostanoids, derivatives thereof and mixtures thereof.

23. (Currently amended) A composition comprising:

5-bromo-6-(2-imidozolin-2-ylamino) quinoxaline; and

a linoleic acid component,

wherein the 5-bromo-6-(2-imidozolin-2-ylamino) quinoxaline is present ~~in a~~ as an ion pair complex with the linoleic acid component, the ion pair complex substantially remains intact in an aqueous environment and the linoleic acid component being present in an amount effective to enhance movement of the 5-bromo-6-(2-imidozolin-2-ylamino) quinoxaline across a lipid membrane, and to reduce at least one undesirable side effect when the composition is administered to a patient relative to a substantially identical composition including 5-bromo-6-(2-imidozolin-2-ylamino) quinoxaline without a fatty acid component.

24. (Previously presented) A composition comprising:

a quinoxaline component,

at least one additional agonist, and

a fatty acid component, the fatty acid component being present in a complex with the quinoxaline component and the at least one additional agonist; the complex remaining substantially intact in an aqueous environment and the fatty acid component being present in an amount effective to enhance movement of the quinoxaline component across a lipid membrane relative to a substantially identical quinoxaline component without a fatty acid component.

25. (Previously presented) A composition comprising:

a quinoxaline component, and

at least two fatty acid components, the at least two fatty acid components being present in a complex with the quinoxaline component and the at least one additional agonist; the complex remaining substantially intact in an aqueous environment and the fatty acid component being present in an amount effective to enhance movement of the quinoxaline component across a lipid membrane relative to a substantially identical quinoxaline component without a fatty acid component.